GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3336
ANSWERED ON:16.03.2000
LEGAL FEES PAID BY AIR INDIA
C. SREENIVAASAN

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the amount paid as legal fees to private legal companies by Air India during the last two years;

(b) whether the Air India has a legal department of its own;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the manner in which the Government propose to reduce expenditure on this account?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION
(SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a): Air India has paid Rs.22,89,80,854.42 as legal fees to Private Legal Companies during the last two financial years.

(b): No, Sir.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): In order to reduce the expenses by way of legal fees, Air India has empanelled law firms who have quoted reasonable legal fees. Wherever possible, out of court settlements are also being effected to reduce legal costs.